

LEGISLATIVE NOTES

Extended UI Benefits

The State Senate and Assembly, in separate actions this week, finally gave their blessings to urgency unemployment insurance measures which should have been passed a month ago.

The Assembly approved AB 1558 (Waldie) on Thursday following Senate passage of SB 133 (Shaw) on Wednesday. **Governor Brown, who has been pressing hard for action, must still wait Senate and Assembly approval of each others bill before any urgency measure can be signed into law.** Hopefully, this will be during the first week of March.

Both measures would provide up to 13 weeks of additional benefits commencing sometime in March for jobless workers who exhausted their regular benefits in the previous three months. The stop-gap action is intended to start the payment of extended benefits about a month earlier than they would otherwise be available by Congressional action on President Kennedy's emergency proposal or by triggering of the state extended benefits bill passed two years ago.

Aged Aid for Aliens

AB 5 (Burton), extending old age assistance to aliens, won approval from the Assembly Social Welfare Committee this Tuesday. The labor-supported measure, however, will face rough going in Ways and Means before it can be taken up on the floor of the lower house.

Federation President Al Gruhn pressed for committee approval of the measure, which Burton labeled "the most important single unfinished business."

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BROWN RECESSION CONFERENCE HAILED BY STATE AFL-CIO

State AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Thos. L. Pitts this week hailed Governor Brown's decision to call a state conference on March 13 to develop ways and means of combating the current recession.

The statewide meeting has been set for March 13 in Sacramento. Governor Brown has announced his intentions to invite about 100 leaders of labor, business and government to help plan remedial action in areas of critical unemployment.

Pitts issued the following statement: "Governor Brown is to be commended for his forthright action and determination to come to grips with the mounting problems of unemployment in California.

"Reports received in our office from various AFL-CIO unions indicate that this is a deep-seated recession which could easily develop into a full-blown depression unless early action is taken by both the federal and state governments.

"We recognize that the basic problems of this recession are national in scope, stemming from a failure of our economy to generate buying power sufficient to purchase the increasing product of industry. Nothing short of a national program aimed at a more

balanced distribution of the benefits of rising productivity between labor, business and the general consumer can provide the base for economic growth and full employment.

"This is the basic problem, and we are determined to keep our eyes on the main tent as we advance our legislative programs.

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SESSION SET FOR MARCH 4-5

The Executive Council of the California Labor Federation has been called into session for March 4th and 5th, it was announced this week.

The 36-member board of the state AFL-CIO will meet in San Francisco at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel.

Top item on the agenda will be the review of bills before the 1961 general session of the California legislature. At its last meeting in December, the Council approved for introduction some 180 measures embracing the legislative program adopted by the convention.

Thos. L. Pitts is scheduled to report on the prospects for securing the enactment of liberal legislation.

The mounting crises in unemployment will also occupy a major portion of the Council's deliberations. Vice Presidents from various areas, crafts and industries will bring with them first hand knowledge of the developing situation.

The timing of the meeting will enable full consideration to be given to the forthcoming conference on the recession called by Governor Edmund G. Brown for March 13th.

WEDEMAYER PINPOINTS RECESSION'S IMPACT

Shocking economic conditions throughout California, with widespread predictions of further deterioration, were reported last Friday to Governor Edmund G. Brown by social welfare director John M. Wedemeyer.

Based on extensive interviews of public agency personnel, private community leaders and relief recipients, unemployment was found to be substantial and "increasing" in all 13 representative counties studied. In some cases it was termed "the worst since the depression of the 1930s".

Various local unions reported "as many as 50 percent of their membership unemployed or working on a part-time basis and in one small lumbering community unemployment is as high as 90 per cent."

Unemployment was reported most serious in the construction, aircraft, steel and lumber industries. Particularly hard hit are unskilled and semi-skilled workers. Skilled craftsmen were seeking assistance for the first time in

years. Heavy joblessness was found prevalent among younger workers and minority group members.

Compounding the situation were the increasing exhaustion of unemployment benefits and the shrinkage of private welfare agency budgets in the face of growing caseloads.

Interviewers noted a significantly higher frequency of evictions, foreclosures, utility service shut-offs, doubling-up on housing, malnutrition, refinancing of contracts, repossession of cars and furniture, and migration into

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ness in the field of social welfare."

The alien bill is particularly important to Mexicans who have resided in the state most of their lives. Top priority has been assigned it by the Community Service Organization which registered over 100,000 Mexican-Americans in the 1960 campaigns.

Attention All Millionaires

A recession measure apparently designed to help all starving millionaires has been introduced in the Assembly. AJR 21 would join California with Wyoming, Texas, Nevada and Louisiana in urging Congress to move on a constitutional amendment abolishing the federal income, estate and gift taxes and prohibiting the federal government from "engaging in business in competition with its citizens".

The amendment, of course, would leave the door open for a national sales tax to milk the workingman. Besides, those socialistic enterprises of government such as TVA and the Central Valley Project must be stopped.

Fortunately, the resolution is given virtually no chance of gaining approval.

Subcommittees Appointed

The Assembly Finance and Insurance Committee, this Monday, announced the composition of subcommittees which will consider labor-sponsored programs in unemployment compensation, disability insurance, workmen's compensation, and health insurance.

The decision to go the subcommittee route was announced in Newsletter two weeks ago. Their composition is as follows:

Unemployment Insurance: Waldie, (D), Chairman; Levering, (R); Munnell, (D); Pattee, (R); Wilson, (D).

Disability Insurance: Crown, (D), Chairman; Burton, (D); Hickson, (D); Monagan, (R); Thelin, (R).

Workmen's Compensation: Unruh, (D), Chairman; Casey, (D); Leggett, (D); O'Connell, (D); Reagan, (R).

Health Insurance: Rees, (D), Chairman; Cameron, (D); Monagan, (R); Rumford, (D); Thelin, (R).

Farm Labor

The Senate Labor Committee has called up two resolutions for hearing for Monday, February 27th. SJR 20 (Farr), memorializing Congress to enact a minimum wage (no amount stated) for farm works, and SCR 27 (Byrne), calling upon the state Division of Housing to study and report upon migrant family housing needs.

All the big grower organizations are supporting a "federal" minimum wage. This is very generous, but in Washington you have to look hard and long to find one that is pushing such a mini-

COMMITTEE HEARINGS

Assembly

Monday, Feb. 27th

Education, Room 2170, 3:45 pm

*AB 337 (Elliott) Probationary teacher protection. **Good**

Finance and Insurance, Room 2170, 1:30 pm

AB 638 (Rees) Unfair Insurance practices—discrimination. **Good**

AB 732 (Burton) Motor vehicle insurance discrimination prohibition. **Good**

Tuesday, Feb. 28th

Gov't Efficiency and Economy, Room 2170, 3:45 pm

AB 742, 743, 744, 753, 754 (Burton) Adds public member to various licensing boards. **Watch**

AB 801 (Hawkins) Housing discrimination. **Good**

Wednesday, March 1st

Education, Room 4202, 3:45 pm

AB 761 (Wolfrum) School board delegation of contracting powers. **Bad**

AB 762 (Wolfrum) Purchase of high school textbooks. **Bad**

Judiciary, Room 4163, 2:30 pm

AB 612 (Bradley) Prohibit racial discrimination in deeds. **Good**

AB 644-47 (Hicks) Claims and liens for labor. **Good**

AB 831 (Bradley) Deficiency judgments against purchases of real property. **Bad**

Public Health, Room 5168, 1:30 pm

AB 738 (Burton) Public member on barber board. **Watch**

AB 750 (Burton) Public member on pharmacy board. **Watch**

AB 805 (Knox) Storage of explosives. **Good**

Public Utilities, Room 5168, 3:45 pm

*AB 547 (Kennick) Prevailing rates for public utilities, irrigation and drainage districts. **Good**

Thursday, March 2nd

Industrial Relations, Room 4168, 3:45 pm

AB 772-3 (DeLotto) Farm labor contractor surety bonds. **Good**

AB 427 (Burton) Age discrimination prohibition. **Good**

AB 598-99 (Peters) Employee pay days. **Good**

AB 1020-21 (Elliott) Employment agencies. **Good**

Municipal & County Gov't, Room 2170, 1:30 pm

AB 191 (Hegland) County employment of independent contractors to furnish labor. **Bad**

mum. The odds are great that SJR 20 will come flying out of Committee. (The Federation's state minimum wage is in the Assembly Industrial Relations Committee waiting a hearing.)

The committee might find it safe also to study migrant housing needs.

Consumers

Supplementing a number of consumer protection bills already dropped in the legislative hoppers, this week saw the introduction of a bill (AB 1769) designed to stop overcharges in the collection of sales taxes by retailers.

The measure would require the Board of Equalization to adopt a sales tax schedule replacing those currently used by retailers which extract amounts far in excess of the legal rate on many taxable items. It would also prohibit stores from imposing the tax on separate items to collect a higher rate.

AB 192 (Hegland) Prison labor on county buildings. **Bad**

Transportation, Room 5168, 1:30 pm

AB 641 (Dahl) Glazing material on autos. **Watch**

Education, Room 2170, 3:45 pm

AB 1013 (Winton) Credentials restricted to schools administered by state agencies. **Watch**

AB 996 (Hegland) School district consolidation — tenure. **Watch**

AB 870 (Hanna) Teacher jury duty. **Good**

AB 869 (Hanna) Classified employee rights on unification. **Watch**

AB 868 (Hanna) Sabbatical leave. **Good**

AB 880 (Hanna) Rights of teachers. **Good**

AB 526 (Winton) Elementary school textbooks. **Bad**

Tuesday, March 7th

Government Organization, Room 5168, 1:30 pm

*AB 549-50 (Kennick) Public works definition re prevailing rates. **Good**

Governmental Efficiency and Economy, Room 2170, 3:45 pm

AB 891-92 (Z'berg) Cartwright Act. **Watch**

AB 611 (Bradley) Civil engineering. **Bad**

AB 633 (Rees) Preference for American-made goods in public purchases. **Bad**

AB 101 (Elliott) Redevelopment projects—restrictions on property transfers. **Good**

Senate

Monday, Feb. 27th

Elections, Room 2040, 10 am

SB 300 (Cobey) Unpledged delegations to national conventions. **Bad**

Labor, Room 4040, 1 pm

SCR 27 (Byrne) Study migrant housing needs. **Watch**

SJR 20 (Farr) Urges national minimum wage for farm workers. **Watch**

Revenue and Taxation, Room 3191, 1 pm

SB 6 (McCarthy) Sales tax exemption of drugs. **Good**

SB 294 (McCarthy) Sales tax exemption of candy. **Good**

Tuesday, Feb. 28th

Business and Professions, Room 3191, 1 pm

SB 213 (McCarthy) Outdoor advertising restrictions. **Bad**

Fish and Game, Room 4040, 1:15 pm

SB 211 (Slattery) Salmon season. **Good**

Wednesday, March 1st

Education, Room 3191, 10 am

SCA 8 (McCarthy) Elective State Board of Education. **Bad**

SB 323 (O'Sullivan) Teacher credentials. **Watch**

Military and Veterans, Room 4040, 9 am

SB 356 (Shaw) Bomb shelters. **Watch**

Social Welfare, Room 4040, 1 pm

SB 134-36 (Richards) Liberalize relative's responsibility. **Good**

SB 305 (Richards) Repeal relative's responsibility. **Good**

SB 325 (Rattigan) Medical care for aged medical indigents. **Watch**

SB 325, 377 (Geddes) Elderly housing. **Good**

Thursday, March 2nd

Judiciary, Room 4202, 10 am

SB 439 (Christensen) Loggers' and lumbermen's liens. **Good**

SB 243 (Burns) Unfair trade practices. **Bad**

Monday, March 6th

Agriculture, Room 4203, 10 am

SB 127 (Slattery) Co-operative bargaining associations. **Bad**

Labor, Room 4040, 1 pm

SB 438 (Christensen) Logging and sawmill operators — wage security. **Watch**

Tuesday, March 7th

Business and Professions, Room 3191, 1 pm

SB 456-58-68-71-73 (Gibson) Biennial licensing by various boards. **Watch**

DIGEST OF BILLS

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Key to Symbols

AG Agriculture
AL Alcoholic Beverages
BC Barbers and Cosmetologists
CR Civil Rights & Civil Liberties
CW Construction & Construction Workers
DI Unemployment Disability Insurance
EA Employment Agencies, Private
EL Elections
FF Fire Fighters
FI Fishing
FL Farm Labor

HA Harbors
HO Housing
IN Insurance (Including Health & Welfare)
IS Industrial Safety
LC Labor Code Changes, General
LI Liens, Attachments & Writs of Execution
LU Labor Unions
MI Miscellaneous
MU Musicians
MV Motor Vehicles
NT Newspapers & Television
OA Outdoor Advertising
PE Public Employees

PH Public Health
PL Prison Labor
PR Printing
RE Recreation
RW Railroad Workers
SC Schools (Including Teachers)
SL State and Local Government
SW Social Welfare
TA Taxation
UI Unemployment Insurance
VT Vocational Training
WC Workmen's Compensation
WP Water and Power

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No bill may be taken up until 30 days after date of introduction indicated in Digest, except by $\frac{3}{4}$ vote.

ASSEMBLY BILLS

Amended Bills

- AB 22, as amended 2-15-61 Luckel** (Education) Provides that schools may only be used for purposes in accord with moral and educational purposes or the principles of state, federal, or local government as determined exclusively by the local school Boards. **CR—Bad**
- AB 66, as amended 2-15-61 Carrell** (Education) Would allow governing bodies to charge admission to certain types of entertainment events without requirement that they be non-commercial. **MU—Watch**
- AB 266, as amended 2-17-61 Z'Berg** (Public Health) Provides for labeling of hazardous substances. Prohibits the storing or sale of misbranded substances. Gives powers to the Industrial Safety Board to pass regulations on radioactive materials with approval of Co-ordinator of Atomic Energy. **IS—Watch**

New Bills

- AB 1114 Lanterman** (Mun. & C.G.) Repeals presumption with respect to certain safety members that heart trouble arose out of employment. Provides that no credit shall be granted for service in another retirement system for which the member has received or is receiving credit. Provides that after payment of funeral expenses in absence of beneficiary, any amount remaining shall be paid to the estate of the deceased. Repeals various obsolete provisions and corrects erroneous cross reference. Jan. 31. **FF—Bad**
- AB 1122 Burton** (Soc. Wel.) Provides that aliens who have resided in the United States since December 24, 1952, are eligible for old age assistance, instead of those aliens who have lived in the United States for 25 years at the time of making application and were not eligible to citizenship prior to December 24, 1952. Repeals obsolete provision pertaining to the eligibility of aliens for old age assistance. Jan. 31. **SW—Good**
- AB 1135 Rees** (Fin. & Ins.) Provides that investment of life insurer in a single parcel of real estate or a single leasehold may be in an amount up to 10 percent of the aggregate capital paid-up and unassigned surplus of the insurer, if that amount exceeds the present limit of 1 percent of the insurer's admitted assets. Jan. 31. **IN—Bad**
- *AB 1142 Cameron** (G.O.) Creates the California Mortgage Authority, a public corporation composed of nine members appointed by the Governor, for the purpose of purchasing and acquiring mortgages under certain circumstances and subject to specified conditions in order to assist persons and families in the State to purchase homes at low mortgage interest rates; and sets forth the powers, duties, functions, and funds of the Authority. Provides the Authority is not a "state agency" as defined in the Government Code but subjects Authority to certain fiscal provisions, including those relating to fiscal year budgets. Permits Authority to accept contributions from any State, federal, or local governmental body, and provides that Authority shall be supported from such contributions and from interest received from the purchase or other acquisition of mortgages. Jan. 31. **HO—Good**
- AB 1153 McMillan** (G.E. & E.) Revises the fee schedule for license issued under the law regulating the practice of barbering. Jan. 31. **BC—Watch**
- AB 1155 McMillan** (G.E. & E.) Requires schools of cosmetology and electrology, prior to enrolling a student, to inform him of the educational requirements established by state law for the practice of cosmetology. Requires student, within 90 days after enrollment, to submit evidence to the State Board of Cosmetology that he is so qualified. Requires board to notify student if he is qualified. Jan. 31. **BC—Good**
- AB 1156 McMillan** (G.E. & E.) Requires students who enroll in a school of cosmetology or electrology to pay an enrollment fee to the State Board of Cosmetology. Requires board on receipt of fee to issue a registration card to the student. Jan. 31. **BC—Watch**
- AB 1162 Cologne** (Jud.) Authorizes the court to allow as costs reasonable attorney's fees to the prevailing party in contract actions whether express or implied but such fees not to exceed \$150. Provides that no attorney's fees may be awarded under this section where the parties have provided for attorney's fees by agreement. Feb. 1. **LU—Watch**

- AB 1165 Z'berg** (C.S. & S.P.) Provides a minimum service retirement allowance of \$900 per year to members who retire at age 60 with 10 years of service with \$90 a year increase for each additional year up to 20 years of service where the minimum is increased from the present \$1,200 per year to \$1,800 per year. Makes such increases applicable to members who retired prior to the effective date of the section. Makes sections applicable to contracting agencies only on amendment of their contracts with the board to so provide. Feb. 1. **PE—Good**
- AB 1166 Thomas** (Rev. & Tax.) Establishes presumption that imports of importer for use in his manufacturing operations, while stored in original package or form, are not essential for, or irrevocably committed to, such operations prior to actual use. Feb. 1. **TA—Watch**
- AB 1167 Pattee** (Fin. & Ins.) Eliminates provisions imposing one week waiting period for unemployment compensation and unemployment compensation disability purposes. Feb. 1. **UI—Good**
- AB 1205 Sumner** (Elec. & Reap.) Authorizes a county central committee to challenge the right of any registered voter to vote at a statewide election, and specifies the possible grounds of challenge. Requires the county clerk to establish a board, consisting of two persons appointed by himself and two persons appointed by the county counsel, or district attorney in a county not having a county counsel, to hear and pass upon such challenges at a hearing held not less than two days before the election. Provides for notice and opportunity to present evidence to the committee and every person whose right to vote is challenged. Limits the right of challenge at the polls at statewide elections to the following two grounds: (1) that the person seeking to vote is not the person whose name appears on the register, or (2) that the person has already voted that day. Feb. 1. **EL—Watch**
- AB 1206 Sumner** (Elec. & Reap.) Prohibits a person deputized or appointed to register voters from accepting compensation for his services other than that paid to him by the county. Makes it a misdemeanor for a person or organization in violation of the foregoing, to pay money or other valuable consideration, or to offer to do so, to any person so deputized or appointed. Feb. 1. **EL—Bad**
- AB 1215 DeLotto** (Ind. Rel.) Public works: working hours. Omits provisions relative to working more than 8 hours in event of extraordinary emergency. Deletes provisions limiting compensated overtime work on public works to time of emergency preparation for national defense. Makes other related changes. Feb. 1. **CW—Bad**
- AB 1217 Hanna** (Fin. & Ins.) Permits savings and loan association to make amortized loan on security of real property on which is situated one single-family dwelling, to extent of 90 percent of value of \$18,000, whichever is lowest, provided that loan is insured for at least 20 percent of unpaid balance by casualty insurer permitted to write mortgage insurance under state law, and provided borrower certifies that he intends to occupy the property and that he has given no other lien on the property. Limits total amount association can invest in such loans. Feb. 1. **HO—Watch**
- *AB 1222 O'Connell** (Ind. R.) Permits chairman of the Industrial Safety Board to appoint an attorney and assistants licensed to practice law in this State. Specifies duties of such attorneys. Feb. 1. **IS—Good**
- AB 1225 Burton** (G.E. & E.) Provides that persons shall not be discriminated against under state civil service because of color, religion, or national origin or ancestry, in addition to existing prohibition against discrimination because of sex, race, or marital status. Provides that it is unlawful to require, permit or suffer notations or entries on applications, examinations or other papers and books concerning national origin or ancestry, in addition to existing prohibition against such notations or entries concerning race, color, or religion. Feb. 1. **CR—Good**
- AB 1226 Burton** (Ed.) Adds religion and national origin or ancestry, to race, color, and creed, as matters which teachers and instructional materials in public schools shall not reflect upon in respect to citizens of the United States. Feb. 1. **CR—Good**
- AB 1227 Burton** (Jud.) Changes term "citizen" to "person" in Unruh Civil Rights Act. Feb. 1. **CR—Good**

AB 1229 Rumford (Pub. H.) Extends to October 2, 1963, the power of the Board of Nurse Examiners to issue temporary permits to practice nursing to applicants licensed in another state. Extends validity of the temporary permits to January 1, 1964, rather than January 1, 1962. Provides that after effective date of the act not more than two temporary permits may be issued to any one person. Feb. 1. **PH—Watch**

AB 1231 Busterud (Rev. & Tax.) Exempts drugs sold on prescription, and auditory, prosthetic, ophthalmic, and ocular applicants and devices or restorations applied or dispensed by a duly licensed person or sold on prescription from sales tax. Feb. 1. **TA—Good**

AB 1232 Busterud (Rev. & Tax.) Allows credit of 10 percent of amount of income tax for a taxable year commencing on or after December 31, 1960, and prior to January 1, 1962. Feb. 1. **TA—Bad**

AB 1238 Ralph M. Brown (G.E. & E.) Requires all meetings of the Fair Employment Practices Commission, its advisory agencies and conciliation councils to be open to the public. Feb. 2. **CR—Watch**

AB 1253 Winton (Ed.) Specifies that commencing with the fiscal year 1962-63, no apportionment from the State School Fund, other than in the amounts required by the Constitution for Basic State Aid, shall be made for an elementary school with an average daily attendance during the preceding fiscal year of less than 30, or a high school with an average daily attendance during the preceding fiscal year of less than 50, if the elementary school or high school is within reasonable traveling distance of another attendance center. Feb. 2. **SC—Watch**

AB 1266 Cunningham (Pub. H.) Revises and expands the provisions regulating the construction and operation of auto courts, resorts, and motels, including provisions regarding materials, permits, fees, toilets, windows, stairways and exits, garages, gas appliances, cooking appliances, and electrical wiring. Deletes provision exempting property maintained by the federal or state government or any agency or political subdivision of the State from the coverage of such provisions. Feb. 2. **PH—Good**

AB 1269 Wolfrum (Mun. & C.G.) Provides that the minimum monthly allowance for a surviving spouse of a member of a county retirement system, eligible to elect under this section, shall be \$120. Provides that where any qualified surviving spouse or child has been receiving an allowance less than the minimum, such monthly allowance shall be increased to the amount of the minimum, effective as of October 1, 1961. Feb. 2. **PE—Good**

AB 1272 Chapel (Ed.) Removes provisions limiting State School Fund apportionments for adult education to the unit amount provided for regular secondary attendance less \$14, not to exceed \$220 per a.d.a.; and requires that apportionments be made at same unit rate as for regular secondary attendance. Feb. 2. **SC—Watch**

AB 1277 Hanna (Ed.) Allows governing boards of districts maintaining junior colleges (grades 13 and 14) rather than the principal of the college, to determine whether to admit persons who are not high school graduates or apprentices. Requires such persons to be placed on probation and to maintain a "C" average as a condition to continued enrollment. Feb. 2. **SC—Watch**

AB 1279 Rumford (Pub. H.) Authorizes State Board of Pharmacy, where the manufacturer of certain products files a request with the board for a hearing on the sale of such products, to restrict to sale by pharmacists the sale of those products. Feb. 2. **PH—Watch**

AB 1287 Thelin (Fin. & Ins.) Workman's compensation: excludes from definition of "injury," disability or death due to rupture or blockage of any artery of heart or brain caused or contributed to by any condition or occurrence of employment, unless the condition or occurrence was excessive and unusual and not contemplated or expected in employee's work. Feb. 6. **WC—Bad**

AB 1288 Thelin (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's Compensation: Definition of injury. Excludes from definition of injury prior conditions concerning which the employer and employee have agreed as a condition of employment that the employer shall not be liable therefor. Feb. 6. **WC—Bad**

AB 1291 Munnell (Fin. & Ins.) Unemployment Disability Compensation. Provides that if a person eligible to receive disability benefits dies before receiving the maximum amount available, the remainder shall be paid to his surviving spouse or children under 18. Feb. 6. **DI—Watch**

AB 1294 Hawkins (Ed.) Prohibits the asking of any questions of any applicant for a certified school district position relating to the applicant's political party affiliation, race, color, marital status, or religious opinions. Feb. 6. **CR—Good**

AB 1295 Hawkins (Ed.) Declares it to be contrary to state policy for any school district governing board to refuse to employ a person possessing the necessary certification qualifications because of his race, color, religious creed, or national origin. Feb. 6. **CR—Good**

AB 1296 Cameron (Fin. & Ins.) Adds to definition of term "retirement system," for purposes of provisions regarding federal old age and survivors' insurance coverage of public employees, any retirement system with respect to employees of a hospital which is an integral part of a public agency in positions covered by the system. To take effect immediately, urgency measure. Feb. 6. **PE—Good**

AB 1297 Pattee (G.E. & E.) Prohibits the State Board of Barber Examiners from issuing a certificate to operate a barber college in any county where the ratio of the number of colleges in operation to the population exceeds an unspecified amount or to any person who owns or operates more than one barber college or has a designated interest in more than

one colleg, rather than requiring the board to determine if the establishment of a new college in a given area will be detrimental to the public welfare. Feb. 6. **BC—Good**

AB 1303 Burton (G.E. & E.) Prohibits a state agency which issues any license or other type of authorization to engage in an activity within this State from discriminating in the issuance thereof because of race, creed, color, or national origin or ancestry. Feb. 6. **CR—Good**

AB 1304 Burton (G.E. & E.) Prohibits a state agency which issues any license or other type of authorization to engage in an activity within this State from discriminating in the issuance thereof because of race, creed, color, or national origin or ancestry. Declares that intention of Legislature in enacting the statute is to put into the code the present practice of state agencies in disregarding such factors as race, creed, color, or national origin or ancestry when issuing licenses and other type of authorizations. Feb. 6. **CR—Good**

AB 1305 George E. Brown (Ed.) Declares it against the State's interest for any school district governing board to fail or refuse to interview or recommend a certificated employee for a position because of his age or marital status. Feb. 6. **SC—Good**

AB 1306 Sedgwick (Pub. H.) Deletes provisions making it unlawful for any person to operate or maintain an auto and trailer park unless a caretaker is in the park at all times and requiring caretaker to enforce the laws governing operation and maintenance of parks. Provides that it shall be responsibility of owner or person responsible for operation of park to maintain premises in proper condition and all facilities in operating condition. Feb. 6. **PH—Bad**

AB 1316 Elliott (Ed.) Fixes 60 minutes as the minimum lunch period a school district governing board may authorize for its teachers. Deletes authorization for the State Board of Education to fix the length of the lunch period. Feb. 6. **SC—Good**

AB 1317 George E. Brown (G.E. & E.) Creates within jurisdiction of Department of Professional and Vocational Standards a Board of X-ray Technician Examiners of the State of California, composed of five members appointed by the Governor for four-year terms, and prescribes its powers and duties. Provides for the issuance of an X-ray technician license to any person who uses roentgen rays or radioactive materials and roentgen-ray equipment for therapeutic or diagnostic purposes under the supervision or order of a radiologist or a physician and surgeon. Prohibits a person from practicing as an X-ray technician unless he has a license. Authorizes persons meeting specified requirements to receive a license without taking the required examination. Feb. 6. **PH—Watch**

AB 1322 Busterud (Jud.) Requires all automobile bodily injury liability insurance policies to include provisions for protection to an insured against bodily injuries caused by an uninsured motorist. Allows the insurer and the named insured by agreement in writing to delete an uninsured motorist provision if they desire. Specifies the extent of and limitations upon coverage under the uninsured motorist coverage provision. Authorizes any insurer paying claims under an uninsured motorist provision to be subrogated to the rights of the insured. Allows an insured entitled to recover under an uninsured motorist provision to be reimbursed independently from other coverage applicable to the accident subject to certain conditions. Deletes the present uninsured motorist coverage provisions. Feb. 6. **IN—Bad**

AB 1323 Levering (Fin. & Ins.) Approval of unemployment disability insurance voluntary plans. Eliminates, as condition of approval, requirement that plan not result in substantial selection of risks adverse to Disability Fund. Feb. 6. **DI—Bad**

AB 1324 Levering (Fin. & Ins.) Provides that person becoming disabled while working is deemed disabled if he is unable to perform his regular work, but if a person becomes disabled while unemployed, then he is only deemed disabled if he is unable to perform suitable work. Feb. 6. **DI—Bad**

AB 1325 Levering (Fin. & Ins.) Unemployment insurance. Places a maximum limit of one-half of total base-period wages on the amount of unemployment compensation disability benefits payable to an individual in one disability benefit period. Feb. 6. **DI—Bad**

AB 1326 O'Connell (Water) Provides 160-acre limitation upon lands in single ownership to be served with water from state-authorized Central Valley Project. Feb. 6. **WP—Good**

AB 1328 Z'berg (P.U. & C.) Permits employees of municipal utility districts to authorize payroll deductions for payment of dues in any bona fide organization whose membership includes employees of district and which has improvement in terms and conditions of employment as one of its objects. Requires district to make such authorized deductions subject to board's reasonable procedural rules. Feb. 6. **PE—Good**

AB 1333 DeLotto (Fin. & Ins.) Workman's compensation: expenses of employees. Provides that employee shall be reimbursed for medical fees, reports, and testimony which aid trier of fact in resolving an issue in a hearing, rather than be reimbursed for such expenses where necessary to prove contested claim. Feb. 6. **WC—Good**

AB 1334 DeLotto (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation: Revises provisions for computing average weekly earnings between limits of present maximum and minimum. Feb. 6. **WC—Watch**

AB 1335 DeLotto (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation: Provides for computation of compensation on basis of actual earnings rather than average earnings. Feb. 6. **WC—Watch**

AB 1336 DeLotto (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation: average weekly earnings of partnerships. Deletes provision setting average weekly earnings of working partnership at \$12 when not otherwise ascertainable. Feb. 6. **WC—Watch**

AB 1339 Meyers (Ind. R.) Modifies provision excepting, from the prohibition against employment of aliens by the State, a county, or city, any professional person who has declared his intention to become a citizen, by providing that in the state service, for aliens to be employed pursuant to this exception, the State Personnel Board must first find that a shortage of qualified applicants exists and that it would be to the interest of the State to hire such aliens. Feb. 6. **PE—Good**

AB 1340 Meyers (C.S. & S.P.) Eliminates prohibition against the State Personnel Board making salary adjustments which require expenditures in excess of existing appropriations available for salary increase purposes. Feb. 6. **PE—Watch**

AB 1344 Hanna (Jud.) Transfers from Civil Code to Business and Professions Code laws relating to real property loan brokers, and makes various changes therein. Provides that no real estate licensee shall accept any purchase or loan funds or cause funds to be deposited in escrow except as to specific loan or a specific real property sales contract or promissory note on which the licensee has a signed listing to sell or which has been bought and completely paid by the licensee. Authorizes commissioner to order discontinuance of illegal or injurious practices discovered as a result of examination of licensee's books or otherwise. Limits real estate interest rates. Feb. 6. **MI—Watch**

AB 1345 Hanna (Ed.) Makes provisions giving certificated school district employees permanent status upon being re-elected to serve for the school year following the completion of the probationary period, applicable in all districts with an average daily attendance of 250 or more pupils, rather than 850 or more pupils. Feb. 6. **SC—Good**

AB 1347 Hanna (Fin. & Ins.) Provides that the filing of a release or compromise agreement with respect to a workmen's compensation claim stays all proceedings and suspends all statutes of limitation under the Workmen's Compensation Law. Feb. 6. **WC—Watch**

AB 1348 Hanna (Fin. & Ins.) Excludes from injuries and deaths covered by workmen's compensation injuries caused by attempted suicide and deaths caused by suicide. Feb. 6. **WC—Bad**

AB 1349 Hanna (Fin. & Ins.) Exempts from injuries covered under the workmen's compensation law an injury sustained in an altercation in which the injured employee was the physical aggressor. Feb. 6. **WC—Bad**

AB 1351 Winton (G.E. & E.) Permits a city or county to direct complaints to the Registrar of Contractors against a licensee for a violation of the various codes for which the city or county is responsible for enforcing. Requires the registrar to give priority to such complaints. Feb. 6. **CW—Watch**

AB 1352 Winton (Ed.) Adds conviction of a felony as grounds for denial of an application for or renewal of a teaching credential. Feb. 6. **SC—Watch**

AB 1355 Bradley (Mun. & C.G.) Provides for formation of districts under new law, the Fire Protection District Law of 1961, specifies the procedure therefor, and sets forth the general powers and methods of organization, operation, government, consolidation, reorganization, and dissolution of such districts. Authorizes such districts to levy taxes and with the approval of the voters, to issue bonds. Prohibits the formation of any new local fire district, metropolitan fire protection district, county fire protection district, or fire protection district in one or more counties. Allows any such existing district to continue to exist and exercise any of the powers conferred upon it by the law under which it is created or organized for five years. Permits any such district, prior to that time, to elect to come under the Fire Protection District Law of 1961 and provides that any district which does not do so shall thereafter automatically be considered to be a district formed under the Fire Protection District Law of 1961. Feb. 6. **FF—Watch**

AB 1361 Garrigus (Ed.) Establishes new credentialing system composed of four types of credentials. Prescribes requirements for credentials and services authorized thereby. Preserves validity of credentials previously issued, allows renewal thereof, and allows issuance of old type of credentials to specified persons. Operative on August 1, 1962. Feb. 7. **SC—Watch**

AB 1364 Knox (G.E. & E.) Requires a price per unit of weight, measure or count to be specified conspicuously on containers where the quantity of the commodity in each container is not uniform. Feb. 6. **MI—Good**

AB 1367 Francis (Crim. Pro.) Prohibits knowing exhibition, sale, and other transactions involving obscene books, magazines, photographs, motion pictures, other named types of materials, and any other article which is obscene. Sets forth definition of "obscene." Feb. 6. **CR—Watch**

AB 1368 Francis (Crim. Pro.) Provides penalties applicable to furnishing of obscene material to minor, with increased penalties for second or subsequent offenses. Requires that a condition of probation for second or subsequent offense be the serving of minimum jail term or payment of minimum fine otherwise prescribed. Feb. 6. **CR—Watch**

AB 1369 Francis (Crim. Pro.) Makes it a criminal offense to use a minor to do or assist in doing any act prohibited by subdivisions 3, 4, 5, or 6 of Sec. 311, Pen. C., relating to obscene matter. Prescribes penalties, with increased penalties for second and subsequent offenses. Requires that defendant be fined or imprisoned or both, as prescribed, as condi-

tion of probation granted for second or subsequent offense. Feb. 6.

AB 1371 Francis (Crim. Pro.) Prescribes procedure whereby injunction can be secured against preparation or distribution of obscene matter. Feb. 6. **CR—Watch**

AB 1372 Elliott (G.E. & E.) Declares it to be the public policy of the State that to cope with problems of rehabilitation or redevelopment of slum or blighted areas designated factors which are among the principal causes of such areas are to be taken into consideration and that such programs are to be undertaken and operated in such manner as not just to exchange new slums for old slums or to congest individuals from one slum to another slum. Requires redevelopment agency to provide rental units for persons displaced by community redevelopment or urban renewal projects. Prohibits agency from using the right of eminent domain for this purpose or operating a rental establishment. Authorizes redevelopment agency to build and sell homes at cost to homeowners displaced by projects. Provides that there shall be no discrimination in the undertaking or operation of provisions regarding housing for persons displaced by projects because of race, color, religion, national origin, or ancestry. Feb. 6. **HO—Watch**

AB 1378 Levering (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation. Deletes from factors to be used in determining percentages of permanent disability, the occupation and age of injured employee. Feb. 8. **WC—Bad**

AB 1379 Levering (Fin. & Ins.) Provides that request filed with Industrial Accident Commission to change rules or regulations shall be deemed denied if not set for public hearing within six months. Feb. 8. **WC—Watch**

***AB 1381 Munnell** (Fin. & Ins.) Eliminates from definition of unemployed individual for benefit purposes, provision that compensation received for any personal services, whether performed as employee or independent contractor, shall be deemed wages; and specifies that accrued holiday, vacation, dismissal, or severance pay shall not be considered wages, even when paid after temporary or permanent termination. Feb. 8. **UI—Good**

***AB 1382 Munnell** (Fin. & Ins.) Eliminates from definition of unemployed individual for benefit purposes, provision that remuneration for any personal services whether performed as employee or independent contractor shall be considered wage receipts. Feb. 8. **UI—Good**

AB 1383 Munnell (Jud.) Increases from \$3,500 to \$7,500 the value of an estate that may be summarily set aside to a surviving spouse or minor children. Feb. 8. **MI—Good**

***AB 1384 Munnell** (Fin. & Ins.) Increases from \$3,600 to \$6,000 the amount of wages upon which employers' U.I. tax shall be based, operative January 1, 1962. Feb. 8. **UI—Good**

AB 1386 Williamson (Ed.) Authorizes a school district which is a contracting agency with the State Employees' Retirement System and whose employees were covered by Social Security prior to the effective date of the 1959 integration legislation (which precluded the modification of retirement benefit formula in respect to districts with such prior coverage) to elect to become subject to the modified retirement allowance formula in respect to employees who enter or re-enter employment after such election. Feb. 8. **SC—Good**

AB 1388 Conrad (Elec. & Reap.) Provides that election boards may authorize use of automatic punching or slotting devices as approved by the State Commission on Voting Machines and Vote Tabulating Devices, for marking and counting ballots in accordance with the system prescribed therein. Provides that system is to be optional and may be used at less than all elections or precincts within the county. Feb. 8. **EL—Watch**

AB 1392 Bee (Mun. & C.G.) Provides for annual increases and decreases in the retirement allowances, optional death allowances and annual death allowances of persons presently or hereafter retired in accordance with changes in the Current Price Index if the county maintains a reserve of earnings of a stipulated percentage. Specifies certain percentage limits on increases and decreases and provides that no decrease shall decrease any allowance to less than that at the date of the allowance or the effective date of the act, whichever is later. Provides for the cessation of increases in the event the reserve contains insufficient funds to pay the increases. Provides that the act shall not be applicable to any county unless the board of supervisors adopts it by resolution. Feb. 8. **PE—Good**

AB 1394 Bee (coauthor: Cobey) (Soc. Wel.) States that the Department of Social Welfare and the counties shall carry out the provisions of the Welfare and Institutions Code in such a manner as to achieve the greatest possible reduction of dependency through the prevention, elimination, or mitigation of the causes and conditions which contribute to or may result in dependency, deprivation, and hardship. Feb. 8. **SW—Watch**

AB 1395 Bee (Trans. & C.) Provides that a seal for odometers shall be required for all passenger vehicles first registered in this State after January 1, 1962, of a type to be established, by regulation, by Department of California Highway Patrol. Requires a report to Department of Motor Vehicles of breakage of odometer seal and requires its repair within 30 days. Makes it a felony to tamper, break or remove seal or for owner to drive vehicle when odometer is not functioning properly, except to drive to nearest repair shop, or for dealer to sell vehicle with broken seal unless he gives notice of such fact to buyer. Makes it a felony for any person to change an odometer reading other than by normal operation of vehicle. Feb. 8. **MV—Watch**

Amended Bills

SB 115, as amended 2-14-61, Gibson (Business and Professions) Provides for public members on various state licensing boards including barbers, contractors and nurses. Would prohibit union member or representative of that industry from being a public member. BC, CW, MI—Bad

New Bills

SB 597 Thompson (B. & P.) Increases the minimum age for a person applying after January 1, 1963, for an apprentice certificate, from 16½ years of age to 17½, and for a barber certificate from 18 to 19. Feb. 6. BC—Watch

SB 598 Thompson (B. & P.) Requires barber college to secure approval of State Board of Barber Examiners before changing the location of the college or increasing the size thereof. Specifies factors to be considered by the board in granting or denying approval. Feb. 6. BC—Good

SB 599 Thompson (B. & P.) Requires that the course of instruction in barbering given at a barber college be of 9 months duration, rather than 12 months. Requires students enrolling in a barber college after July 1, 1962 to present statement from a physician and surgeon as to physical fitness. Prohibits student from working on a paying patron until he has at least 250 hours of instruction. Requires an instructor to be physically present when the student is working on such a patron. Limits student attendance at college to not more than 8 hours a day nor more than 5 days a week for purpose of attending classes or practicing art of barbering. Requires barber colleges, after January 1, 1963, to have at least 1 instructor for each 20 students. Limits enrollment of college after that date to one student for each barber chair. Prohibits barber colleges from advertising a guarantee of a job placement for its students. Requires the State Board of Barber Examiners to inspect barber colleges at least once every three months. Feb. 6. BC—Watch

SB 600 Thompson (B. & P.) Requires applicants for an instructor's certificate to have five years experience in this State as a registered barber in a shop open to the general public, rather than having two years experience as a barber in this State or another state or county whose requirements are substantially equivalent to this State's or four years practice in another State or county whose requirements are not equivalent. Provides that increase in qualification is not applicable to persons licensed as instructors on effective date of such increase. Requires instructors to attend a seminar on barbering approved by the State Board of Barber Examiners at least once every two years. Requires board to approve seminars based on the subject matter given, the length of time devoted to each such subject and the general manner in which conducted. Feb. 6. BC—Bad

SB 601 Thompson (B. & P.) Makes it unlawful for any person licensed under the law relating to the practice of barbering, including a barber college, to render any service under the representation that the fee which is to be charged or is charged for such service is at a discount or is at a percentage or otherwise less than the average fee then regularly charged under like conditions by the person so licensed or by other persons for such service. Feb. 6. BC—Watch

SB 602 Cameron (Gov. Eff.) Authorizes issuance and sale of \$75,000,000 of state bonds for developing statewide recreational program, including acquisition and establishment of beaches, parks, recreational facilities and historical monuments. Provides that State Parks Commission administer all expenditures of proceeds of bonds including at least \$50,000,000 which must be spent for acquisition of sites; at least \$25,000,000 which may be expended for development of sites, and not more than \$2,000,000 which may be expended for fire prevention purposes. Requires that not less than 45 percent of funds be expended in San Luis Obispo, Tulare, Inyo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Orange, Riverside, San Diego, and Imperial Counties and that at least 40 percent be expended in remaining counties. Provides that act becomes effective when people adopt constitutional amendment adopting the act. Feb. 7. RE—Watch

SB 609 Cobey (Wat. Res.) Provides that neither contract with Metropolitan Water District of Southern California or contract with San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District is effective unless and until approved by concurrent resolution of Legislature. Feb. 7. WP—Watch

SB 610 Cobey (Wat. Res.) Provides that if there is no special preferential prices, rates, or charges accorded agricultural water users under state water contracts, no limitation shall be placed upon acreage entitled to receive water. Feb. 7. WP—Bad

SB 611 Cobey (Wat. Res.) Prescribes pricing policy for delivery of supplemental water for agricultural use without adequate protection against monopoly and speculation. Feb. 7. WP—Bad

SB 612 Cobey (Wat. Res.) Provides that no contract under California Water Resources Development Bond Act is effective unless and until approved by concurrent resolution of Legislature, unless such requirement is waived by concurrent resolution. Feb. 7. WP—Watch

SB 623 Grunsky (Gov. Eff.) Repeals provisions relating to the Commission on Credentials. Creates a State Commission on Teacher Licensure, consisting of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and nine additional members appointed by the State Board of Education. Requires the commission to serve in an advisory capacity to the State Board of Education in the development and maintenance of system of professional licensure

for persons employed in public schools. Establishes new credentialing system composed of six types of credentials. Prescribes requirements for credentials and services authorized thereby. Preserves validity of credentials previously issued, and allows renewal thereof, and allows issuance of old type of credential to specified persons. Feb. 8. SC—Watch

SB 624 Grunsky (Gov. Eff.) Repeals provisions relating to the Commission on Credentials. Creates a State Commission on Teacher Licensure, consisting of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and nine additional members appointed by the State Board of Education. Requires the commission to serve in an advisory capacity to the State Board of Education in the development and maintenance of system of professional licensure for persons employed in public schools. Feb. 8. SC—Watch

SB 629 Shaw (Ins. & F.I.) Specifies that individual's failure, following referral by public employment office, to apply for, or his refusal to accept, suitable employment with governmental agency because of refusal to take loyalty oath, shall be deemed voluntary and without good cause for benefit eligibility purposes. Feb. 9. UI—Bad

SB 634 Teale (Ins. & F.I.) Revises requirement that for utilization of lag quarter earnings for subsequent award purposes, an individual must, during the 12 months following the filing of a valid claim, have sufficient wages to meet basic eligibility requirements, and permits twice the disability insurance and workmen's compensation benefits received in the period to be considered wages for such purposes, but not for computing weekly unemployment benefits to which individual is entitled. Feb. 9. UI—Good

SB 643 Dolwig (Pub. U.) Rate regulation: carriers. Provides that nothing in the Public Utilities Act shall be construed to require a carrier to establish or maintain rates at a particular level to protect the revenue or traffic of another carrier. Permits the Public Utilities Commission to fix nondiscriminatory rates or maximums and minimums for common carrier service between two or more points. Repeals certain provisions relating to charges below the maximum reasonable rate for transportation of property and makes other changes. Feb. 14. RW—Bad

SB 646 Grunsky (Ins. & F.I.) Provides for circumstances under which the Industrial Accident Commission may authorize its secretary or an assistant secretary to act as a deputy commissioner and that such officer shall not be counted in determining a majority of a panel of the commission. Feb. 14. WC—Bad

SB 647 Grunsky (Ins. & F.I.) Provides that the language of the Workmen's Compensation Law shall be liberally construed by the courts and the Industrial Accident Commission for the purpose of extending the benefits provided therein. Requires the facts of each case to be determined with equal regard to the rights of all parties and with the sole objective to ascertain the truth. Feb. 14. WC—Bad

SB 648 Grunsky (Ins. & F.I.) Workmen's compensation: determination of percentage of permanent disability. Adds provision that no percentage of disability shall be allowed for subjective complaints claimed to cause impaired function but percentage of disability shall be allowed for such impairment of function if established. Feb. 14. WC—Bad

SB 650 Grunsky (Ins. & F.I.) Deletes the requirement that commercial and saving banks must maintain at all times the total reserves provided for in the code and adds provision specifying that the reserves required are to be computed on the basis of average daily net deposit balances covering biweekly periods. Feb. 14. MI—Bad

SB 653 J. Howard Williams (Soc. Wel.) Aid to needy children. Provides that any person who knowingly obtains any such aid to which he is not entitled, or a larger amount than that to which he is legally entitled, is subject to the penalties prescribed for theft in the Pen.C. Also provides that any continuing violation of this section where the amount exceeds \$200 may be prosecuted as a felony. Feb. 14. SW—Bad

SB 654 J. Howard Williams (Soc. Wel.) Aid to needy children. Authorizes court to order forfeiture of aid under aid to needy children program for a period of 6 months with respect to a person convicted of unlawful receipt of aid under such program. Requires county to continue casework services during forfeiture period. Feb. 14. SW—Bad

SB 655 J. Howard Williams (Soc. Wel.) Aid to needy children. Provides that no child deprived of parental support because of separation or desertion, and adds annulment or divorce, including filing for divorce, annulment or separate maintenance, shall be considered a "needy child" if the period of absence is less than six months, instead of three months. Feb. 14. SW—Bad

SCA 15 Cameron (Gov. Eff.) Authorizes issuance of state bonds in amount of \$75,000,000 to provide funds for development of state beach, park, recreational and historical facilities, and ratifies the State Beach, Park, Recreational and Historical Facilities Bond Act of 1961. Feb. 7. RE—Watch

SCA 16 Rodda (Rev. & Tax.) Exempts property used for the care of elderly persons under specified conditions. Feb. 8. TA—Watch

SCR 20 Cobey (Wat. Res.) Requests Department of Water Resources not to enter into contracts under California Water Resources Development Bond Act unless first approved by concurrent resolution of Legislature, and requests parties to existing contracts to amend contracts to provide they shall not become effective until so approved. Feb. 7. WP—Watch

BROWN RECESSION CONFERENCE HAILED

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"Considerations for urgency action, by the same token, should focus on providing the stimulus to purchasing power that is necessary to again get the economy moving. Business and industry cannot and will not respond to any 'artificial stimuli that do not first boost the buying power of the consumer, and especially those at the low rung of the economic ladder who would immediately put their increased incomes in the purchasing power stream.

"In the present emergency, the state has the obligation to take supplemental action in every area in which the Kennedy administration is moving to counter the recession.

"This means more than just speeding up public works that are already ad-

vanced beyond the planning stage. It means also that where the state has projects ready to go, but lacks financing, every effort should be made to encourage federal participation.

"We must recognize further that the main area for supplemental state action is the early development of programs to meet growing social needs in housing, urban renewal and redevelopment, education and health care facilities, rapid transit and other urban problem areas.

"We are firmly convinced that in the sixties the major added stimulus to our economy must come from the satisfaction of these unmet social needs. Such programs, in addition to meeting public needs, would contribute to the expansion of purchasing power and thus stimulate industrial expansion.

"This, however, is not to overlook the urgent need to up-date our social

insurance programs, such as unemployment compensation, so that a realistic floor is placed on purchasing power. Unless this is done immediately we cannot hope to stop the current recession from feeding upon itself and developing into a full-scale depression.

"Further, our social welfare programs in California need revamping to assure an adequate level of public assistance.

"The Governor has stated emphatically that he does not intend to stand still on state problems or let anybody starve in California. Last week's report by the State Social Welfare Director indicates clearly that the counties are rapidly becoming hard-pressed for funds to meet mounting relief loads.

"As a major consideration, therefore, we urge the Governor and the legislature to immediately invoke the State Relief Law of 1945.

COMMERCIAL FISHING BILLS

The following are digests of commercial fishing bills introduced in the legislature as of January 26, 1961

ASSEMBLY BILLS

AB 211 Chapel (F. & G.) Bait fish in Santa Monica Bay. Prohibits taking sardines, smelt, anchovies, queenfish and white croaker in District 19A for other than bait and prohibits possession of more than 1,000 pounds of such fish which are dead. Jan. 11. **FI—Watch**

AB 257 Thomas (F. & G.) Extends from June 1, 1961, to June 1, 1963, the date after which sardines for designated special purposes may be taken at any time. In effect immediately, urgency measure. Jan. 11. **FI—Good**

AB 270 Belotti (F. & G.) Extends certain provisions authorizing commercial taking of crabs from 91st day after 1961 Regular Session to 91st day after 1963 Regular Session. Jan. 11. **FI—Good**

AB 459 O'Connell (F. & G.) Provides that part of District 7 south of Punta Gorda shall have same crab season as all other districts except 6, the northern part of 7, 8, and 9. Extends present crab season from 1961 until 1963 and extends close of season in districts other than 6, the northern part of 7, 8, and 9 to be June 30 rather than May 31. Jan. 17. **FI—Watch**

AB 474 Grant (F. & G.) Prohibits sale or purchase of halibut except halibut imported pursuant to regulations of the Fish and Game Commission. Jan. 18. **FI—Bad**

AB 478 Belotti (F. & G.) Authorizes the Fish and Game Commission to extend the commercial crab season for not to exceed 14 days if it finds the condition of the crab fishery warrants it. Jan. 18. **FI—Bad**

AB 507 Porter (F. & G.) Authorizes the Fish and Game Commission to establish maximum amount of mackerel, both Pacific and Pacific jack mackerel, to be taken for commercial purposes and to specify the date such season shall open, the Department of Fish and Game estimates the date that such total amount will be taken and the commission then may close the season, providing that the department may allow fishing for not to exceed 10 days after such closing date or until such total amount is reached. Jan. 18. **FI—Bad**

AB 508 Porter (F. & G.) Authorizes the Fish and Game Commission to establish maximum amount of sardines to be taken for commercial purposes and to specify the date such season shall open, the Department of Fish and Game estimates the date that such total amount will be taken and the commission may close the season providing that the department may allow fishing for not to exceed 10 days after such closing date or until such total amount is reached. Repeals present statutory seasons. Jan. 18. **FI—Bad**

AB 535 Thomas (F. & G.) Authorizes the use of purse and round haul nets

in District 20 except within a 2 mile radius of Avalon and of the Isthmus. Jan. 19. **FI—Good**

AB 536 Thomas (F. & G.) Authorizes use of purse and round haul nets in District 19A to take sardines, smelt, anchovies, queenfish, and white croakers. Jan. 19. **FI—Good**

AB 537 Thomas (F. & G.) Increases amount of sardines which may be in load or lots of fish other than during sardine canning season from 10 percent to 25 percent. Jan. 19. **FI—Good**

AB 597 O'Connell (F. & G.) Authorizes use of set trammel nets in District 10, except for the taking of salmon. Jan. 23. **FI—Good**

AB 615 Belotti (F. & G.) Provides that part of District 7 south of Punta Gorda shall have same crab season as all other districts except 6, the northern part of 7, 8, and 9. Extends present crab season from 1961 until 1963. Jan. 24. **FI—Watch**

AB 619 Thomas (F. & G.) Changes closing date for all seasons on sardines used in a reduction plant or by a packer from December 31 to March 31. Changes such season in District 19A from August 1 to March 31, rather than October 1 to December 31. Provides for such season in District 20 from August 1 to March 31. Jan. 24. **FI—Watch**

AB 811 Thomas (F. & G.) Creates the Commercial Fish Commission, transferring to it powers of present Fish and Game Commission over the taking, possession or processing of fish for profit. Creates Commercial Fish Division in the Department of Fish and Game administered in accordance with policies established by Commercial Fish Commission. Increases the membership of the Marine Research Committee from nine to twelve members changing the groups represented to be 2 members from sardine canning or reduction, 2 from sardine boat owners, 2 from labor representatives, 2 from fresh fish market operators, 2 from sportsmen's groups and 2 from the general public, one of whom shall be designated as chairman by the Governor. Creates the Division of Marine Research in the Department of Fish and Game, to be administered in accordance with policies established by the Marine Research Committee. Vests it with responsibility of furnishing the new Commercial Fish Commission and the Fish and Game Commission data and information necessary to carry out their respective powers and duties. Jan. 26. **FI—Bad**

AB 819 Thomas (F. & G.) Extends end of season for taking of sardines for use by a reduction plant or by a packer from December 31 to March 31. Jan. 26. **FI—Watch**

SENATE BILLS

SB 211 Slattery (F. & G.) Extends salmon season for commercial fishing season from September 15 to September 29 in specified districts. Jan. 16. **FI—Good**

SB 358 Brown (F. & G.) Extends general regulatory powers of the Fish and Game Commission for two years. Jan. 25. **FI—Watch**

SB 376 J. Howard Williams (F. & G.) Authorizes Department of Fish and Game to manage, control and protect spawning areas occupying state lands in areas of designated rivers and streams with the department prevailing over other departments or agencies of the State except state or regional water pollution control boards or actions required for commerce

and navigation. Requires all governmental and public utility projects, diverting, obstructing or changing natural flow or bed of any river, stream, or lake, or using material from streambeds designated by the department, to consider any reasonable recommendations of department for protection of fish and wildlife. Private persons conducting operations of such nature or operations which will impair existing spawning or food producing beds for fishlife, must report such activities to the department and may not commence new operations until after receipt of such departmental recommendations. Specifically includes unfiltered or unclarified wash water from gravel or mineral extractions to materials which may not be placed in waters of this State. Jan. 25. **FI—Good**

FORM 3547 REQUESTED

WEDEMAYER PINPOINTS RECESSION'S IMPACT

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the state from other depressed regions.

Related developments included "increased army enlistments in one area, illegal cattle rustling and shooting of deer in another, a substantial movement away from a few communities, and evidence of increased tension in children in school."

Highlights of the social welfare report for 10 of the 13 counties included:

LOS ANGELES

Rapid exhaustion of UI benefits was reported, particularly for auto and steel workers, along with considerable loss of homes and doubling up on housing. Sharp increases in relief and ANC applications were registered, especially among younger workers.

SAN DIEGO

Critical unemployment levels, combined with reduced budgets of voluntary agencies, were expected to become worse by summer. Close to 1200 UI claims were expiring monthly. A third of the 1500 members of one building trades local were unemployed. Many persons were reported to have sold their cars, tools and other possessions before seeking aid.

Handicapped persons were excluded from the job market and minority group members were experiencing great employment difficulties, except in government contract industries.

The housing market was saturated with at least 25% of rental units vacant.

FRESNO

"Severe hardship among large numbers of laborers in construction" was reported along with near expiration of UI claims for many skilled workmen. Although farm employment was abnormally high, UI claims were mounting rapidly. School lunches were reported "as the only meal available to some children." As private agency budgets neared depletion, one housing official declared, "We have almost reached the apples-on-the-corner situation."

"Men who previously held responsible managerial jobs are begging for dishwashing jobs or anything available", employment interviewers advised state investigators.

Loan delinquencies and home or farm repossessions were up spectacularly in January over a year earlier.

ALAMEDA

The pressure for emergency aid from single men, non-residents and those no longer eligible for UI was being felt by inadequately financed voluntary agencies.

CONTRA COSTA

With loan delinquencies up by 35 to 40 percent, financial groups generally looked for aggravation of the situation in March.

County clinic physicians noted a high incidence of anemia due to malnutrition. Some families were subsisting for a full month on a two-week grocery order. One family was known to have lived on potatoes alone for five weeks.

STANISLAUS

Authorities found the most severe impact of dietary deficiencies among pregnant women and small children. It was noted, "There have been frequent incidences of jaundice among these children."

Scarcity of loans to finance needed ranch work was expected to have a negative impact upon the quality of crops and employment opportunities next summer.

KERN

An employment department official stated, "The number of personal bankruptcies is wreaking havoc for small business houses that have extended credit. Jobs that the men get are all short . . . The bad time is just starting."

A "frantic" increase during January in emergency aid requests was reported by the Catholic Welfare Bureau. It noted a great rise in terminations of utility services.

RIVERSIDE

Red Cross experienced an 82% growth in requests for assistance from those ineligible for county aid. Salvation Army's available funds were down to \$18. An unprecedented number of families were living in their cars.

HUMBOLDT

A utility company reported "a 400% increase in shut-off notices in the past year and a doubled discontinued service rate." The auto repossession rate was the highest in 10 years.

Recent instances of hungry people stealing cattle resulted in a "reward

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QUIMBY, STONEMAN REAPPOINTED TO IWC

Governor Edmund G. Brown last week reappointed John W. Quimby and Mae Stoneman to four-year terms on the state Industrial Welfare Commission.

Quimby is Secretary-Treasurer of the San Diego County Labor Council, and Stoneman is Executive Secretary of the Waitresses, Local 639, in Los Angeles.

The IWC is charged with the responsibility for establishing minimum wages and working conditions for women and minors employed in the state.

Currently, the Commission has before it the establishment of a minimum wage order for agriculture. Hearings on recommendations of an agricultural wage board established by the IWC were held recently in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Promulgation of an agricultural wage order is expected next month at an executive session meeting of the Commission.

The Commission is also currently revising its budget for a single working woman, which was developed in 1950 to measure the standard established by the legislature for setting minimum wages. When the revision is completed, it is anticipated that existing wage orders in various industries and occupations will be reopened.

offered by the Stockmen's Association of \$1000 for anyone caught cattle rustling."

Unemployment was the worst "since the depression" and the rate of UI benefit claim exhaustions has "increased 300% since August."

School lunch funds were running low and there has been an increase in drop-outs by high school students.

MENDOCINO

County nurses have been forced to ask for samples from drug salesmen in order to aid needy families. Public officials reported many instances of hunger and malnutrition. Since 1959 the county welfare caseload has risen 50%.

Wedemeyer's report also noted that "some localities expressed extreme concern about the nature of the economy upon which their communities rely. These communities are seeking possibilities of wider diversification.